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FROM:

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Auditor-Controller

SUBJECT:

STATUS REPORT - COUNTY PAYROLL/PERSONNEL RISK ASSESSMENT AND AUDIT PLAN (Board Agenda Item No. 49-A,

**September 11, 2007)** 

On September 11, 2007, based on issues in our September 4, 2007, Payroll/Personnel audit of the Department of Children and Family Services, your Board directed the Auditor-Controller, in conjunction with the Chief Executive Officer, to report back on using our regular audit function to more directly address Countywide or multi-department payroll and personnel issues.

As part of our review, we are conducting a Countywide payroll/personnel risk assessment of a number of payroll/personnel related factors, such as overtime budget variances, decentralization of payroll/personnel units, prior payroll/personnel issues, time since the last payroll/personnel audit, etc. We are in the process of gathering the necessary information from departments and analyzing the responses. We expect to complete our assessment and issue our report to your Board by November 11, 2007.

Please call me if you have any questions, or your staff may contact Jim Schneiderman at (626) 293-1101.

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c: William T Fujioka, Chief Executive Office Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer Public Information Office Audit Committee